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INFORM CONSULS RIO DE JANEIRO AND SAO PAULO

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SUBJECT: USDOC EXPORT PROMOTION ADVISORY SERVICES

REFERENCE: (A) STATE 196223, (B) PORT OF SPAIN 2057

1. REFTEL FROM PORT OF SPAIN ASKED ABOUT FUNDING T;E TRAVEL COSTS OF USDOC EXPORT PROMOTION ADVISORY SERVICES.

2. EXPORT PROMOTION ADVISORY SERVICES THAT USDOC IS ABLE TO PROVIDE WILL USUALLY NOT REQUIRE TRAVEL. AN ONGOING ACTIVITY LIKE ADVICE AND GUIDANCE TO LATIN AMERICAN COMMERCIAL OFFICERS IN THE UNITED STATES IS ONE SUCH EXAMPLE. IN CASES OF CONSULTATION BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WITH BIC IN WASHINGTON, ALL TRAVEL AND RELATED COSTS WOULD HAVE TO BE BORNE BY THAT PERSON OR HIS ORGANIZATION. CONSULTATIONS THAT REQUIRE TRAVEL BY BIC OFFICERS CAN BE PROVIDED AT NO COST TO THE HOST GOVERNMENT ONLY IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER BIC PROGRAM TRAVEL IN THE REGION, SINCE BIC HAS NO SEPARATE BUDGET FOR THIS ACTIVITY.

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UPON REQUEST FROM A LATIN AMERICAN GOVERNMENT FOR A

CONSULTATION VISIT BY A OIC OFFICER, HOWEVER, BEST EFFORTS
'ILL BE MADE TO COORDINATE TRAVEL ACCORDINGLY. IN
PRACTICE BIC 'ILL OFTEN HAVE CONSIDERABLE FLEXIBILITY IN
SCHEDULING CONSULTATION STOPOVERS AT ARA POSTS IF GIVEN
SUFFICIENT LEAD TIME.

3. FOR PORT OF SPAIN: RE YOUR QUESTION ON WHETHER THE
OIC OFFICER PARTICIPATING IN THE BRAZIL EMINARS IN
OCTOBER COULD STOP OFF IN PORT OF PAIN. IF YOU
DETERMINE THAT THERE IS GOTT INTEREST IN SUCH CONSULTATION,
PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS. A STOPOVER IS CERTAINLY
POSSIBLE IF GOTT HAS SPECIFIC PURPOSES IN MIND AND USDOC
HAS RELEVANT EXPERIENCE. KISSINGER

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